

June 30, 2005

Marlene Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: **Notice of *Ex Parte* Meeting**  
Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for  
Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities  
CC Docket No. 98-67

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of the National Video Relay Service Coalition ("NVRSC") this is to provide notice of two *ex parte* meetings held on June 28, 2005 regarding the above-referenced docket.<sup>1</sup> Claude Stout, representing Telecommunications for the Deaf, Inc. ("TDI"), Cheryl Heppner, representing the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Consumer Advocacy Network ("DHHCAN") and Jeff Rosen, representing the National Council on Disability ("NCD") met with (1) Monica Desai, Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau ("CGB") and Catherine Bohigan and Michelle Carey of the office of Chairman Kevin J. Martin and (2) Commissioner Michael J. Copps and Jessica Rosenworcel of the office of Commissioner Michael J. Copps.

During both meetings, pending issues regarding Video Relay Service ("VRS") and Internet Protocol ("IP") Relay were discussed. The organizations represented discussed interoperability of VRS, VRS speed of answer, the need for just, fair reimbursement including provision for research and development to the VRS providers, and most importantly, the need to access VRS, CapTel, Internet Protocol Relay, Voice over Internet Protocol, and any other emerging technologies to make emergency calls.

Jeff Rosen recommended that the FCC look into engaging all stakeholders in VRS to some kind of summit to discuss major VRS issues, and to reach some agreement on some of these issues. The summit would give the FCC the opportunity to see all parties interact, engage in fruitful discussion, and hopefully provide some joint input/ideas for some solutions. The National Council on Disability would be glad to provide support for such a gathering.

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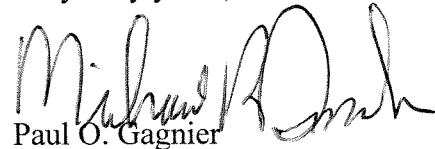
<sup>1</sup> NVRSC asks for waiver of Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2), to file this notice two business days after the meeting.

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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael P. Donahue". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Michael" and last name "Donahue" clearly distinguishable.

Paul O. Gagnier

Michael P. Donahue

CC (by e-mail):

Monica Desai  
Catherine Bohigan  
Michelle Carey  
Jessica Rosenworcel  
Cheryl Heppner  
Jeff Rosen  
Claude Stout